

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the first two paragraphs of the SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION beginning on page 3 of the specification with the following amended paragraphs:

A vehicle occupant support apparatus is provided for installation in a vehicle seat. The apparatus comprises ~~an array~~ a plurality of air cells including expandable chambers and also comprises a control module. The control module, which is configured to connect to and operate only a limited number of air cells selected from the plurality of air cells, has an input connectable to a fluid supply system. The control module ~~and includes only enough~~ a limited number of outputs to connect ~~corresponding to the limited number of air cells and connecting respective ones of the limited number of~~ air cells of a portion of the array to the fluid supply system via the control module. This allows the ~~arrays~~ same plurality of air cells to be conformed to any one of a ~~plurality~~ number of different vehicle types by connecting to the limited number of outputs only those cells selected from the plurality of air cells ~~that are~~ being appropriate or intended for use in a given vehicle type.

According to another aspect of the invention the apparatus comprises ~~an array~~ a plurality of air cells including expandable chambers and a control module for connecting ~~the air cells of the plurality of air cells~~ to a fluid supply system. The control module includes a controller, a pump, and a wiring harness connected to the controller. The controller is selected from among a plurality of different function controllers configured to operate the occupant support apparatus according to different respective user preferences. This allows different function controllers to be selected and installed to provide different types of control for the array.

Please replace the last three paragraphs of the SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION of the specification with the following amended paragraphs:

According to another aspect of the invention the control module includes a controller and a pump and the occupant support apparatus includes hoses connected at one end to respective individual expandable chambers of the ~~array~~ air cells and connectable at respective opposite ends to the control module.

According to another aspect of the invention a method is provided for customizing a vehicle occupant support apparatus to suit a particular vehicle application. The method includes providing a vehicle occupant support apparatus including ~~an array~~ plurality of air cells including expandable chambers configured to be carried by a vehicle seat, a controller connected to the air cells, and a fluid supply system connectable to the air cells through the controller; selecting from among the air cells of the array, those air cells suited to a desired vehicle seat application; and disconnecting all but the selected air cells from the controller. According to this method, ~~an array~~ plurality of air cells can be conformed to any one of a plurality of different vehicle types by disconnecting from the controller all but those cells that are appropriate or intended for use in a given vehicle type.

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